

# Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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#### **Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 10/19/2021 Arrival: 11:00 AM Departure: 12:00 PM VisitType: Licensing Study

#### **Regional Consultant** CCLC-37973

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MIDLAND, GA 31820 Quality Rated: \*\*

10/19/2021

06/22/2021

03/02/2021



**Compliance Zone Designation** 

Licensing Study

Monitoring Visit

Investigation by Phone

Complaint

		Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good					
		standing, support, and deficient.					
	Good Standing	Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.					

Support

Good Standing

Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

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Deficient

Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A	Three Year Olds	1	9	С	9	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	В		0	0	С	9	С	NA	NA	
Main	С	Two Year Olds	1	8	С	8	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D		0	0	С	6	С	NA	NA	
Main	E	Infants and One Year Olds	1	3	С	22	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Transit ioning
Main	F		0	0	С	22	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 7	6		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		25 sq.			
Total # Children this Date: 20		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 76			Total Capacity @25 sq.					

ft.: 0

**Playground Playground Building** Playground Occupancy Compliance Main С Playground 24 2 Main Playground smaller С

#### Comments

October 19, 2021--A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning

Revision #1 Revision Date: 10/29/2021 11:49:51 AM

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).



Please refer to the website, http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee





### **Important New Deadlines:**

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/ Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at http://gbi.georgia.gov to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)

Ronald Tate, Program Official	Date	Penny Svenson, Consultant	Date			



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# **Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

# **Activities and Equipment**

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records** 

Records Reviewed: 5	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

#### 591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Facilit** 

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Met

#### Comment

Please monitor bathrooms for necessary supplies.

### 591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

#### 591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

#### Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

# 591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Technical Assistance

#### **Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director to ensure the shaded area was placed back on the playground as required.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2021

**Food Service** 

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

#### Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

**DECAL** 

http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx

USDA

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks

# 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

### Comment

Please ensure that all food items are stored in airtight containers.

**Health and Hygiene** 

# 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director to review diaper changing with staff and to discuss that one hand should be kept on the infant at all times during the change.

# 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

The Consultant reviewed each time children were required to wash hands: children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means.

Correction Deadline: 10/19/2021

### 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

# **Policies and Procedures**

#### 591-1-1-.22 Parental Access

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director that all Executive Order items were lifted and the Center was required to permit the custodial Parent(s) of the child access to all child care areas of the Center at any time the child is in attendance. The custodial Parent(s) shall make his or her presence known to Center Staff prior to removing the child from the Center.

Correction Deadline: 10/19/2021

# **591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**

Technical Assistance

#### **Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director to ensure all of the following postings were posted as required: the Center's current License or Permit; a copy of these rules; a copy of the current communicable disease chart; a statement allowing Parent(s) access to all child care areas upon notifying any staff member of his or her presence; names of persons responsible for the administration of the Center in the administrator's absence; the dated current week's menu for meals and snacks; emergency plans for severe weather, fire, and other emergency situations; a statement requiring visitors to check in with Staff when entering the Center; no smoking signs; and a notice provided by the Department which advises Parents of their right to review a copy of the Center's most recent licensure evaluation report upon request to the Center Director. The Center shall provide any Parent with a copy of this evaluation report upon request.

Correction Deadline: 10/19/2021

	Safety
591-1-105 Animals	Met
Comment	
Center does not keep animals on premises.	
591-1-111 Discipline(CR)	Met
Comment	
Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.	
591-1-113 Field Trips(CR)	Met
Comment	
Center does not participate in field trips at this time.	
591-1-136 Transportation(CR)	Met

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

# 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Please ensure that cribs/cots are labeled for individual use.

**Staff Records** 

Records Reviewed: 11	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 10/04/2021	Met  Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 12/13/2019	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 12/24/2019	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 06/07/2021	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 08/03/2012	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 12/13/2019	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 05/15/2020	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met

# 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

# 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 0

**Technical Assistance** 

### **Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director that online only for First Aid and CPR were not accepted to meet the requirement for Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning and that the skills were required to be demonstrated with an approved trainer prior to certification being received.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2021

# 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Met

#### Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

### Comment

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the 10 hour Health and Safety would only be counted once towards the required annual training.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

### Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Staffing and Supervision

# 591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

# 591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Met

### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

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